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PROGRAM

1. SOCIETE GENERALE DES MINERAIS (SGM) REP IN LUBUMBASHI CALLED CONSULATE MAY 9. HE HAD RECEIVED TELEX SAYING KOPPERS COMPANY INC., WHICH SUPPOSED TO SEND ENGINEER TO KOLWEZI MAY 10 TO ASSIST IN WORK ON CONSTRUCTION OF CONCENTRATOR AT DIMA FOR P-2 EXPANSION PROJECT, REFUSES TO SEND ENGINEER. SGM SAYS APPARENT REASON IS KOPPERS' FEAR OVER SECURITY SITUATION IN KOLWEZI. SGM ASKED IF CONSULATE COULD INTERVENE TO HELP CONVINCE KOPPERS TO SEND ENGINEER WHOSE PRESENCE NEEDED.

2. CONSULATE FEELS IN VIEW CURRENT STABILITY IN KOLWEZI NO REASON WHY KOPPERS' ENGINEER SHOULD NOT COME. IN VIEW IMPORTANCE O

YK P-2 PROJECT, AND OF DISPROVING MISCONCEPTION IN SOME CIRCLES HERE THAT U.S. COMPANIES OVERREACTING TO EVENTS IN SHABA, CONSULATE FEELS IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR DEPARTMENT TO CONTACT KOPPERS AND REASSURE THEM THAT SITUATION IN KOLWEZI SUFFICIENTLY CALM TO PERMIT VISIT.

3. INFORMATION ON COMPANY PROVIDED BY SGM AS FOLLOWS:

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